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1. [REDACTED]
2. "The organization of the Czechoslovak army is now based on a secret not only from the ordinary soldiers but also from its officers. This organization along the Soviet pattern, and under Soviet command, so that it could easily be incorporated with the Soviet Army, has been necessary; thus the Czechoslovak Army now has no specific names for its subdivisions. The various commands and the units are no longer called 'divisions,' 'regiment,' or 'battalion.' They are all given the uniform name of 'unit,' which in Czech is 'utvar.' How one 'utvar' is connected with another is not known to the people in the Army. Soldiers are forbidden to tell what kind of an utvar they are serving in. They are even forbidden to tell the name of a senior officer. Telling the name of a senior officer is considered espionage and is punishable by at least 20 years of imprisonment.
3. "The military command of Moravia has been removed, along with the whole general staff, from the general staff building in Brno to Trencin in Slovakia. This transfer was carried out some weeks ago. At that time the military commander was still General Zdenek Novak.
4. "At present, the highest military utvar in Brno is the command of a division which has its offices in the building of the former military command for Moravia. Since the general staff and the military command moved to Trencin, the military political police for Moravia, the OBZ (Obvodove Bezpecnostni Spravodajstvi) has moved into this same building. The commander of the OBZ is Lt. Col. M. (fnu) Hollriegel. His adjutant is Lt. Col. (fnu) Krejci. The OBZ itself is under the direct command of the Minister of Defense, Gen Alexei Cepicka, in Prague. But, it is understood that the OBZ is under the full supervision of Soviets, with Soviet officers in Brno and at Cepicka's office in Prague.

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5. "Artillery troops are billeted in the barracks of Pragerstrasse in Brno. In the same Pragerstrasse, in opposite barracks, a cavalry unit is billeted. In the town of Zidenice there are infantry units and a smaller armored car unit. In the town of Bucovice, there are motorized artillery units and anti-tank gun units. Large, heavy-tank and armored car units are stationed in Olomouc."

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